HARSHIT BHOI

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EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

- 5th Year (9th Semester) BBA.LL.B (Hons.), National Law University Odisha (2018-23)
- CGPA 6.10/8.00
- Class XII, PCM, Krishna Public School, Raipur (2016) 84.4%
- Class X, BRCM Public School, Bahal (2014) 95% (10 CGPA)
- GPA of 8.0/8.0 in Intellectual Property Rights
- GPA of 8.0/8.0 in Code of Civil Procedure
- General Course on Intellectual Property by World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)
- Certificate Course in Intellectual Property: Law and Management by Scriboard Advocates and Legal Consultants & Enhelion Knowledge Ventures Pvt. Ltd. (Certification Score of 85 %)

INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

Wadhwa Law Chambers, New Delhi (Team: IPR)

(July 2022)

- Drafted Responses to Deficiency Letters for International Trademark Applications
- Drafted Notices of Opposition in accordance with Rule 42 of the Trade Marks Rules, 2017
- Drafted Counterstatements in accordance with Rule 44 of the Trade Marks Rules, 2017
- Prepared Comprehensive Trademark Search Reports through Applications filed in various global Trademark Offices
- Drafted Letters for Abandonment of Trademark Applications
- Drafted an Application under Order XXXIX Rule 2A of CPC r/w Section 11 & 12 of the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971 seeking a relief of permanent injunction restraining the defendants from passing off the client's trademarks

ALG India Law Offices LLP, New Delhi (Team: General IP)

(June 2022)

- Prepared Counterstatements in accordance with Rule 44 of the Trade Marks Rules, 2017
- Researched and compiled evidence on clients' background and history and adversary's use and rights
- Researched and prepared notes on effect of rogue websites on UDRP proceedings
- Researched and prepared notes on cases on unregistered GI/Certification Marks and the remedy of passing of
- Collated registrations for clients' trademarks from worldwide databases
- Prepared a Notice of Opposition and numerous Replies to Examination Reports

K&S Partners, Gurgaon (Team: Trademark)

(December 2021)

- Prepared a detailed trademark clearance report in relation to trademarks filed in the space technology arena in the US, EU, UK and Indian Trademark Office
- Researched and prepared detailed notes on the decisions of Indian courts in domain name disputes and further on the dispute settlement process at the international level
- Filed replies to examination reports containing objections raised in regard to absolute and relative grounds of refusal under Section 9 & 11 of the Trade Marks Act, 1999
- Researched and prepared a comprehensive report in regard to the issue of conducting the business of copyright licensing without being registered as a copyright society under Section 33(3) of the Copyright Act, 1957
- Drafted user affidavits under Rule 25 of the Trade Marks Rules, 2017
- Researched and prepared notes on the aspect of trademark liability arising from the use of third-party trademarks as keywords in Google Ads

- Filed replies to examination reports containing objections raised in regard to absolute and relative grounds of refusal under Section 9 & 11 of the Trade Marks Act, 1999
- Prepared comprehensive trade mark clearance search reports on various proposed trademarks
- Classified proposed trademarks into relevant classes in accordance with Nice Classification (NCL)
- Prepared detailed reports on the registration process of a trademark, copyright and design
- Researched and prepared a detailed report on the extent of the applicability of trademark law to domain names
- Researched extensively on the scope of protection available to unregistered trademarks owing to prior use

HOLLA ASSOCIATES, Bengaluru

(May - June 2021)

- Researched on the topic of payment of royalties in respect of underlying works in sound recordings and prepared a case brief dealing with the issue
- Researched on the historical development of the concept of well-known trade marks in India over the years and prepared a case brief dealing with the subject
- Researched on the scope of the patentability of modified version of a known drug and prepared a comprehensive case brief of the landmark Novartis case dealing with the same
- Researched on the issue of legal control of social media intermediaries and the need for restoring civil liability of intermediaries under the IT Act
- Researched extensively on the difference in the scope of the term 'confusion' as mentioned in Section 9 and Section 11 of the Trade Marks Act, 1999

Bandaru and Bandaru Advocates, Bengaluru

(November-December 2019)

- Researched on the functions and authority of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN)
- Researched extensively on the tort of 'passing off' and the decisions of Indian courts in regard to the same
- Researched on the scope of exemption to intermediaries under Section 69B of the IT Act, 2000

PUBLICATIONS

- Publication of Article in NLU Jodhpur Centre for IP Studies Blog on 'Fair Use vs Fair Dealing: What makes the American Approach more Reliable in Light of the Changing Trends in Cyberspace?', 2021
- Publication of Research Paper in International Journal of Legal Science & Innovation [ISSN 2581-9453] –
 'Underlying Works in Sound Recordings: The Underlying Complexities', 2021
- Publication of Article in Blog of the Intellectual Property and Technology Laws Society of NUJS on 'Can Novex be
 in the Business of Granting Copyright Licenses without being Registered as a Copyright Society?', 2022
- Publication of Article in The IP Law Post (HNLU) on 'Use of Keywords in Google Ads: Understanding the Trademark Liability', 2022

CO-CURRICULAR AND EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Participated, IP Awareness/Training Program under National Intellectual Property Awareness Mission organized by Intellectual Property Office, India
- Participated, National Conference on 'TP Issues in the Post Covid World' organized by NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad
- Participated, IPR Essay Writing Competition organized by NUSRL, Ranchi in collaboration with Singh and Singh Law Firm LLP

POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY

• Student Member, Intellectual Property Analysis and Advocacy Center, National Law University Odisha (2021-22)